

## LA GASCOGNE.

The Big French Steamer Arrives Safe in Port.

Many Sad Hearts Gladdened by the Appearance of the Vessel.

May Delay Was Caused by a Broken Piston Rod, and in Her Disabled Condition She Was Unable to Make Much Headway in the Fierce Gale.

QUANTICO, Feb. 12.—La Gascogne, the big French liner, eight days overdue, dropped anchor at the bar just before midnight. All are well on board and a sign of relief goes up from two continents. The delay was due to a broken piston rod and to the terrific gales which swept the north Atlantic for the past week or more and brought disaster to many a stanch craft.

Capt. Baudelon and the officers and crew of La Gascogne brought the ship and passengers through gales and made port without help. From the time they left Havre, January 29, until Monday they spoke no trans-Atlantic steamer, and saw only a four-masted schooner, the one which reported at St. Pierre, Miquelon, N. S., as having seen a large steamer off the Banks, apparently in distress last Saturday.

New York, Feb. 12.—The first definite news that La Gascogne had arrived reached the city at 5:20 p. m., but for an hour before that dispatches had been coming in which gave ground for the hope that the missing Frenchman was near at hand.

At 5:20 a messenger boy from the Maritime exchange came running in with a telegram as follows:

"Fire Island, 5:15.—La Gascogne is off Fire Island."

That was official, and settled the matter. The joy of the agent and other officials knew no bounds. They clasped each other on the back, and shook hands with tears in their eyes. One of them hustled up to the roof and ran up the French flag, while another chalked a transcript of the last dispatch on the big bulletin board outside, which is used to announce the sailing dates of the French ships.

An elderly Frenchman burst into the office just before the final telegram came. It was A. A. Ritchie, the wealthy phosphate agent, with headquarters at Ocala, Fla., who has three daughters on board La Gascogne. The reaction from his anxiety was so great that he laughed and cried at once. He shook hands with everybody in the place.

"Oh, my daughters," he cried. "They are safe. If you wish to see a happy, happy man, look at me."

Tears glistened in the eyes of all who were present, as they congratulated the old gentleman.

In the meantime others had begun to arrive and in fifteen minutes the office was filled. Five cable messages were sent to the Paris and Havre agencies of the line, and about seventy-five telegrams were started to the people who had made inquiries during the week and had left their names and addresses. The place was fairly alive with messengers coming and going.

At no place in New York was the news of the Gascogne's arrival hailed with as much joy as at the Hotel Martin. For days all the prominent Frenchmen of New York have been gathering at this popular French resort for the news. The long distance telephone has been constantly ringing in the cafe. Frenchmen in Philadelphia, Chicago, Boston, Pittsburgh and elsewhere have been asking for the news.

The cafe was crowded late Monday afternoon when the news was first flashed over the wire. Proprietor Martin rushed in, his face aglow with excitement. "La Gascogne est arrive," he shouted.

"Mon dieu! Ello est arrive enfin," came in chorus from the assembled party, who were sipping their absinthe in Parisian style.

Such a scene of uncontrolled delight has seldom been seen in New York. Men who had relatives and intimate friends on board almost cried for joy. Only a party of Frenchmen could have expressed their extreme happiness as they did. With tears in their eyes, and their faces fairly beaming with joy, they hugged each other passionately.

"We will drink champagne to-night," said Proprietor Martin, and the cheer that went up from the Frenchman gave him assurance that they would join in the jubilee.

There were many Frenchmen at the Martin who came from Boston and other cities to meet relatives on the vessel. They lost not a moment in rushing to La Gascogne's pier.

Mr. Crosier, of Philadelphia, whose wife is on board the Gascogne, was quite overcome when he heard the news.

"I can hardly talk, I am so happy," he said. "It seems as if I have just passed through a hideous nightmare. My anguish, as the days and nights went by without a word, was something terrible. I can hardly believe that it is true."

The tug Fred B. Dazell, with representatives of the press on board, was the first tug to reach La Gascogne. The disabled steamer had left Fire Island twenty-five miles astern and was eight miles to the eastward of Sandy Hook lightship. It was 9:45 p. m. The big liner was limping into port at half speed, with two big red lights, signals of distress, at the foremast.

The tug lay alongside half an hour and the following story of the trip was obtained:

The steamer left Havre January 29. On the first day out 449 miles were logged; on the second day 407 miles; on the third day, after traveling 380 miles, the piston rod broke, and eighteen hours were spent in making repairs. When they were completed the ship steamed at nine miles an hour, making in all 66 miles on the 29th. On the 30th, 31st and February 1, 225, 255 and 280 miles a day were made respectively.

On February 2 the piston rod broke

down again. The break was more serious this time. Sea anchors were put out, and for forty-one hours the ship was hove-to, making repairs. On the 4th the first severe weather was experienced, and the ship was blown 150 miles out of her course. On the 5th, the repairs having been completed, 103 miles were made. The ship was then clear to the northward of the track of trans-Atlantic steamers, and was therefore not seen by the many steamers which passed over the regular track. On February 6 160 miles were made. On the 7th the machinery broke down for the third time. The heavy cyclone struck her on that day, and the ship hove-to with the sea anchors out all day. No headway was made, and, owing to the motion of the ship, repairs were difficult. On the next day the chief engineer, who had been at his post day and night, completed the repairs, and the ship proceeded 131 miles.

### NO FAST SOUTHERN MAIL.

The Post Office Committee Fails to Make an Appropriation.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—The last hope of the promoters of the southern fast mail from Cincinnati Monday was destroyed by the calling up of the post office appropriation bill in the senate without the proposed amendment for the Cincinnati southern mail. The committee did their best to get the committee to insert the amount asked for and the appropriation committee even cut out the appropriation for the southern fast mail along the Atlantic coast line, which has been appropriated for the last ten years or more.

Senator Sherman introduced a petition from members of the bar at Cleveland, O., asking for the appointment of an additional judge for that circuit. He also introduced a bill for the appointment of an additional judge as petitioned.

The senate amendments to the Chicago public building bill were agreed to by the house Monday.

### CRANSTON'S WRONGS.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—The state department will proceed to take vigorous measures in the case of J. C. Cranston, who arrived at Vancouver Sunday on the Warrimo, an exile from Hawaii. A brief statement of his case has been received at the state department from the United States commercial agent at Vancouver, alleging that Cranston is an American citizen; that he was guilty of no participation in the rebellion and that he was forcibly placed aboard the steamer and exiled without any trial and to his severe pecuniary loss. It will be necessary in order to make out a case against the Hawaiian government to substantiate Cranston's statement at every point.

### CABLE BILL IN THE HOUSE.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—A bill to incorporate the International Pacific Cable Co., for a cable from California to the Hawaiian Islands and thence to Japan and other points in the Pacific and the mainland of Asia and Australia, was introduced in the house Monday by Representative Charles W. Steno, of Pennsylvania.

### A NEW CIRCUIT JUDGE.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—Representative Storer introduced into the house a bill creating a new judge for the Sixth district United States circuit court. It is believed that the Storer bill will be favorably reported by the judiciary committee Tuesday.

### STILL ABOVE \$41,000,000.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—Monday's statement of the condition of the treasury shows: Available cash balance, \$142,412,007; gold reserve, \$41,393,212.

### GOLD POURING IN.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—Secretary Carlisle informs the syndicate which agreed to furnish 3,500,000 ounces of gold that interest on the bonds given in payment would not be charged after the deposit of the gold, and in consequence a large amount of gold was Monday delivered at the assay office.

### Big Indianapolis Blaze.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Feb. 12.—The wholesale grocery of George W. Stout was destroyed by fire Monday afternoon at a loss of \$115,000. The fire was discovered at 2 o'clock, when the first alarm was sounded. Second and third alarms were sounded immediately, and it was apparent from the outset that the building was doomed.

### Attempt to Blow Up a Dwelling.

LINKVILLE, Ia., Feb. 12.—Unknown parties made an effort to blow up a house of Sol Litton, a farmer living a mile south, early Monday morning. The door was broken open and a bomb thrown in. It exploded, but no one was killed. The house was badly wrecked. Litton extinguished the flames, though badly burned.

### Preached Over a Telephone.

ATLANTA, Ga., Feb. 12.—Rev. J. B. Hawthorne, pastor of the First Baptist church, preached a sermon over the telephone, and all in Atlanta, Athens, Griffin, Macon and Madison who had telephone connection listened. He did not attack Col. R. G. Ingersoll, as had been expected he would, and his auditors were disappointed.

### The Servia Detained.

QUEENSTOWN, Feb. 12.—The steamer Servia which sailed from Liverpool for New York on Saturday, was detained here because of the nonarrival of the mails. The mail is snowed in at Charlsville, twenty-two miles south of Limerick.

### A Skater Drowned.

STREUVENFELD, O., Feb. 12.—Charles Newlin, aged 16 years, while skating on the river here Monday night, broke through the ice and was drowned. He could swim and kept up for some time, but rescuers could not get near.

### Off With Their Heads.

ALBANY, N. Y., Feb. 12.—Gov. Morton has signed the power of removal bill, which gives Mayor Strong the power to depose the heads of departments of the New York city government.

### Frozen to Death.

BRYAN, O., Feb. 12.—Wallace Williams, of Montpelier, this county, was frozen to death on the road between Montpelier and Angola, Ind.

## HEAVY SEAS.

Much Damage Done to Several of the Big Vessels.

Some of the Crew of the Wrecked Cienfuegos Brought to New York.

Steamer Maryland Arrives at Valencia With Damaged Bows—British Steamer Grecian Has a Terrible Voyage—Many Pilots Missing at New York.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—The Ward Line steamer Santiago, which arrived Monday morning from Nassau, brought forty of the crew of the steamer Cienfuegos of the same line, which was wrecked last Monday on Harbor Island, in the Bahamas. Very Rev. Dean Young, dean of Nassau, en route for England, was also a passenger on the Santiago.

The men return under charge of First Assistant Engineer Underwood. The other officers and a few of the crew are standing by the vessel, caring for the cargo.

LONDON, Feb. 12.—The steamer Maryland (British), Capt. Herman, from Philadelphia January 22 for London, arrived at Valencia Monday morning with damaged bows. She had been towing the disabled steamer Loch Mare (British), Capt. Allison, from Charleston January 23 for Bremen, which she was obliged to abandon, owing to the fact that the Maryland was very short of coal. In the terrific gale which prevailed the cables parted, and it was then that the Maryland's bows were stove.

GLASGOW, Feb. 12.—The British steamer Grecian, from New York January 24 for Glasgow, arrived at Greenock Monday. She experienced terrific weather throughout the trip, and lost some of her cargo of live stock. Nineteen horses, sixty-eight cattle and a large number of sheep were swept overboard.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—The harbor pilots have had their share of the discomfort and peril incident to the late severe weather. Fourteen boats of the New York and four of the New Jersey fleet are still out at sea, and from most of them no report has been received. The crews and pilots on board number nearly 200. The J. H. Stafford was doing station duty outside the bar, but on Friday stood out to sea to escape being blown ashore. She has not returned, and six pilots who took vessels out Saturday were compelled to stay on the ships and make the ocean voyage.

The position of Almsey Buoy in the harbor has been changed by drifting ice, which is another difficulty the pilots have to contend with.

### A Foolish Wager.

JEFFERSONVILLE, Ind., Feb. 12.—Walter Hostander, Robert Horen, Jas. Wilson, Robert Jones and Samuel Miller made a wager that the one who crossed on the ice to the Kentucky shore and reaching that point first, would win a bet. At a given signal the boys started. In their eagerness to reach the goal, and on getting out in mid stream, they came in contact with a large air hole hidden by an ice peak, which they went through. Fortunately they were good swimmers, and landed on the surface of the ice in safety.

### The Elbe Captain's Last Words to His Wife.

LONDON, Feb. 12.—A dispatch to the Standard from Berlin says that according to his brother-in-law, Capt. Von Goessel, the master of the Elbe, while standing on the bridge after the collision, seeing that disaster was imminent, wrote a few words of farewell and handed the note to DeLahde, the German pilot, who was rescued, instructing him to give it to nobody but his (Capt. Von Goessel's) wife. The purport of the message has not been revealed.

### Ohio Republican League Meet.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 12.—Representatives of the Republican leagues of Ohio will hold sessions in this city beginning Tuesday. There are 110 republican clubs in the Ohio league, varying in membership from 50 to 1,400 members, the Blaine club being the largest, with that number. There are about 20,000 members in the state league. There will be 1,100 delegates and alternates in the convention.

### The Pope Angers the Sultan.

LONDON, Feb. 12.—A dispatch to the Chronicle from Rome says that a cardinal confirms the report that the sultan invited the pope to mediate in behalf of Turkey, with the powers on the Armenian question. The pope declined to do so, but advised the sultan to appoint Christian governors. This made the sultan angry.

### Colonial War Dinner.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—The Society of the Colonial Wars of the State of New York held its annual dinner at the Hotel Waldorf Monday afternoon, the occasion being the 132d anniversary of the signing of the treaty of Paris. Among the speakers were Joseph H. Choate, James C. Carter and Rev. Dr. David H. Greer.

### Saw Nothing.

HALIFAX, Feb. 12.—The steamer St. Pierre, Capt. Angrove, arrived Monday morning from New Foundland ports. She reports cold weather on the trip. The St. Pierre did not pass within sight of Sable Island, so Capt. Angrove had nothing to report in regard to La Gascogne.

### Leader Vallost Must Die.

LONDON, Feb. 12.—A special dispatch from Moosh says it is rumored the popular Armenian leader, Hadji Vallost, has been condemned to death and will shortly be executed.

### The Chinese Forces in Manchuria.

PARIS, Feb. 12.—A dispatch from Shanghai says that the Chinese have a total of 173,700 troops in Manchuria opposed to 50,000 Japanese.

### For President Diaz.

CITY OF MEXICO, Feb. 12.—The press is agitating the question of re-election of President Diaz.

## CONDENSED NEWS

Gathered From All Parts of the World by Telegraph.

In a row at a dance at McNeil, Tex., a Mexican shot and killed two others. Temple Bethel, Jewish synagogue at Pensacola, Fla., was destroyed by fire. Young Stovall, who assassinated his brother-in-law, Wiley Jordan, near Jacksonville, Ala., died in jail at that place.

Senator Hill has introduced a resolution declaring that coin bonds shall be payable in gold if the government can not maintain the parity between gold and silver.

The credentials of Mr. Hoar for another term in the senate, beginning March 4 next—his fourth term—were presented to the senate Monday by his colleague, Mr. Lodge.

At Valparaiso, Ind., the elevator in the factory of the Cosmo Butter Milk Soap Co., fell with John Ripley, of Burlington, Ia., brother of Superintendent Ripley. Ripley was seriously injured internally.

The Dudley hosiery mills, at Newton Lower Falls, Mass., employing about five hundred hands, are to reopen with the full complement. Large orders are on hand, and work for several months is assured.

The woman suffrage bill after being reported unfavorably by the committee of the whole, was beaten in the Nevada assembly by a vote of 17 to 12 Monday afternoon. It was made a special order.

The steamer City of St. Augustine, Capt. Gaskell, which plies regularly between New York and Jacksonville, in the lumber-carrying trade, sailed from Jacksonville on January 30, and has not since been heard from.

The noted case of Mrs. Mary Ann Miller, of Alliance, O., against the city of Alliance, to recover \$25,000 damages for injuries alleged to have been sustained over a year ago, has been brought to a close by a compromise. The city pays \$350.

Members of the Seventy-first general assembly of the state of Ohio met at the Grand hotel, Cincinnati, Monday night at a banquet. As there are only biennial sessions now, this reunion was the connecting link between the official meets.

John Hildebrand, clerk in a dry goods store at Huntington, Ind., was on a step ladder taking some goods from a shelf, when he fell. He reached out to catch hold of a shelf, and his hand struck an iron hook and was torn almost off.

A telegram from Biwabik, a small town on the Mesabi iron range, says there was a bad cave-in at the Canto mine Monday, by which two men, Louis Raxis and Chieffino Marino, were instantly killed and buried beneath a mass of ore weighing several tons.

## THE MARKETS.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 11.  
FLOUR—Winter patent quotable at \$2.50; 2.90; do fancy, \$2.55; 2.45; do family, \$2.05; 2.15; do extra, \$1.85; 1.95; low grades, \$1.70; 1.80; spring patent, \$2.30; 2.20; spring family, \$2.55; 2.75; spring family, \$2.40; 2.50.  
WHEAT—Sales are rather slow as buyers do not feel disposed to pay prices asked, and the market is quiet. Sales of No. 2 red, track, at \$2.40.

CORN—Sales: No. 2 white, track, 40c; No. 2 mixed, track, at 44c; No. 2 yellow, to arrive, 41c; mixed ear, nearly yellow, track, at 45c.

OATS—No. 2 mixed, light color, track, at 32c; No. 2 mixed, track, at 31c.

CATTLE—Heavy steers, fair to good, \$4.25; 4.75; choice, \$4.80; select butchers, \$4.50; 4.75; fair to good, \$3.50; 3.75; common to ordinary, \$2.50; 3.00; green, \$1.00; 1.25; Heifers: Good to choice, \$3.75; 4.10; fair to medium, \$2.50; 3.00; calves—Common and large, \$2.00; 2.50; fair to good light, \$2.50; 3.00.

HOGS—Select heavy butchers, \$4.20; 4.30; choice heavy butchers and good butchers, \$4.15; 4.20; mixed packers, \$3.90; 4.10; common and rough, \$3.75; 3.90; light shippers and good fat pigs, \$3.75; 4.00.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Sheep: Good to extra, \$4.00; 4.50; common to fair, \$3.00; 3.75; Lambs: \$3.00; 3.50; good to choice, \$4.00; 4.50; common to fair, \$3.00; 3.50.

WOOL—Unwashed fine merino, per lb. \$2.00; quarter blood clothing, \$1.90; 1.95; medium delaine and clothing, \$1.80; 1.85; coarse, \$1.60; 1.65; medium, \$1.40; 1.45; washed, \$1.30; 1.35; merino X to XX per lb. \$1.90; 1.95; medium clothing, \$1.70; delaine fleece, \$1.30; 1.35; long combing, \$1.20; quarter blood and low, \$1.10; 1.15; common coarse, \$1.00; 1.05; tub-washed, choice, \$1.00; tub-washed, average, \$1.00.

WHEAT—No. 2 red spot and February, \$2.40; 2.45; May, \$2.40; 2.45.

CORN—Mixed spot and February, 40c; 41c; March, 47c; 47c; May, 48c; 48c.

OATS—No. 2 white western, 34c; No. 2 mixed do, 34c; 35c.

RYE—No. 2, 50c; 51c.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.  
RYE—Western, 50c; 51c.

BARLEY—Western, 63c; 65c; No. 2 Milwaukee, 64c.

WHEAT—No. 2 red spot and elevator, 57c; 58c; do spot, f. o. b., 54c; 55c; ungraded red, 56c; 57c; No. 1 Northern, 61c.

CORN—No. 2, 47c; 48c; elevator, 48c; 49c; do spot, steamer mixed, 47c; 48c; No. 3, 47c; 48c.

OATS—No. 2, 34c; 35c; No. 2 white, 34c; No. 2 Chicago, 34c; No. 3, 33c; No. 3 white, 33c; mixed Western, 34c; 35c; white state and Western, 36c; 37c.

TOLEDO, O., Feb. 11.  
WHEAT—No. 2 red cash, 55c; May, 54c; July, 54c.

CORN—No. 2 mixed cash, 42c; May, 44c; Oats—Market dull but firm; No. 2 white, cash, 35c bid.

RYE—Market firm; No. 2 cash, 54c bid; CLOVERSEED—March, 50c bid.

CATTLE—Prime, \$8.00; 8.50; good, \$7.50; 8.00; good butchers, \$6.00; 6.50; rough fat, \$5.00; 5.50; 3.70; fair light steers, \$5.10; 5.35.

HOGS—The market was dull with a few sales made at \$4.30; 4.50.

SHEEP—Extra, \$4.40; 4.75; good, \$4.25; 4.50; fair mixed, \$3.00; 3.50; common, \$1.50; 2.00; vealings, \$2.00; 2.50; best lambs, \$3.50; 3.75; common to fair lambs, \$2.00; 2.50.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Feb. 11.  
CATTLE—Extra steers, \$1.80; fair to good butchers grades, \$1.50; 1.80; fat cows, \$1.50; 1.80; fresh cows steady at \$2.25; 2.50 per head.

HOGS—Good light hogs, \$4.50; 4.75; heavy weight Yorkers, \$4.30; 4.50; good mediums, \$4.30; 4.50.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Few best lambs sold, \$5.75; 6.00; fair to good, \$4.75; 5.00; good to choice mixed sheep, \$4.00; 4.50; fair to good, \$3.50; 4.00.

CHICAGO, Feb. 11.  
Cash quotations—Flour: Unchanged. No. 2 spring wheat, 58c; 59c; No. 3 spring wheat, 58c; 59c; No. 2 red, 58c; 59c; No. 3 red, 58c; 59c; No. 2 yellow, 40c; 41c; No. 3 yellow, 39c; 40c; No. 2 white, 39c; 40c; No. 3 white, 38c; 39c; No. 2 barley, 50c; No. 3, 49c; 50c.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Feb. 11.  
CATTLE—Quotably unchanged to-day.

HOGS—Good to choice medium and heavy, \$4.00; 4.25; mixed and heavy, \$3.00; 3.25; good lights, \$4.00; 4.25.

SHEEP—Choice lambs, \$5.00; 5.25; common lambs, \$2.75; 3.00; fine sheep, \$4.00; 4.25.

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